107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. CON. RES. 480

Expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued honoring our Nation's small business concerns.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 24, 2002

Mr. Langevin (for himself, Mr. Acevedo-Vilá, Mr. Akin, Mr. Baird, Mr. Baldacci, Mr. Bartlett of Maryland, Ms. Berkley, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Carson of Oklahoma, Mrs. Christensen, Mrs. Clayton, Mr. Cramer, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Mr. Doolittle, Mr. Frost, Mr. Grucci, Mr. Hefley, Mrs. Jones of Ohio, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Kennedy of Rhode Island, Mr. McNulty, Mr. Manzullo, Ms. Millender-McDonald, Mrs. Napolitano, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. Peterson of Pennsylvania, Mr. Phelps, Ms. Ros-Lehtinen, Mr. Ross, Ms. Schakowsky, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. Tancredo, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, and Ms. Velázquez) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued honoring our Nation's small business concerns.

Whereas there are approximately 25,000,000 small business concerns in the United States;

Whereas our Nation's small business concerns bring new services and products to the marketplace and provide

- business ownership opportunities to diverse and traditionally underrepresented groups;
- Whereas, according to statistics of the Small Business Administration, 2 out of every 3 new jobs in the United States are created by small business concerns;
- Whereas small business concerns employ 54 percent of the national work force and constitute over 99 percent of the Nation's employers;
- Whereas small business concerns are the source of more than ½ of our Nation's technological innovations;
- Whereas small business concerns generate an estimated 39 to 55 percent of the Nation's gross national product; and
- Whereas 51 percent of the private sector output and 96 percent of all exports from the United States are attributable to small business concerns: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that—
 - 3 (1) a commemorative postage stamp should be
 - 4 issued by the United States Postal Service honoring
 - 5 our Nation's small business concerns; and
 - 6 (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee
 - 7 should recommend to the Postmaster General that
 - 8 such a stamp be issued.